GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3233
ANSWERED ON:08.12.2000
ILLEGAL TRADE OF NARCOTICS .
RAM SHAKAL

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases regarding seizure of narcotics reported during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the places used for the illegal trade, State-wise;

(c) whether the neighbouring countries are involved in this illegal trade;

(d) if so, details thereof;

(e) the reasons for the increase in the illegal trade;

(f) the number of persons arrested for such activities alongwith their nationalities during the above period; and (g) the action taken against the guilty persons?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) : Sir, the number of cases regarding seizure of narcotics during each of the last three years as reported by the various drug law enforcement agencies in the country are given in Annexure-I.

(b) : As drug trafficking is a clandestine activity, traffickers change their areas of operation constantly. However, the sensitive areas for drug trafficking in the country are Indo-Pak Border in the States of J&K, Punjab, Rajasthan and Gujarat and theinternational airports at Delhi, Mumbai, Trivandrum and Chennai,the Southern Tamil Nadu Coast and the Indo-Myanmar border in the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Nagaland and Mizoram.

(c)&(d) : In view of the fact that persons from neighbouring countries have been arrested in connection with drug trafficking including heroin of South-West Asian origin and also because heroin smuggled across Indo-Pak border and Indo-Myanmar border was seized in the country it can be concluded that nationals of neighbouring countries are involved in this illegal trade.

(e) : Since drug trafficking is a clandestine activity, no definite conclusion can be arrived at. However, seizure trends do not indicate increase in the illegal trade.

(f) : The number of persons arrested in connection with drug trafficking during the year 1998, 1999 and 2000 (Upto November)as reported by various drug law enforcement agencies in the country is given in Annexure-II.

(g) : Action as per law is taken against persons arrested for drug trafficking under the NDPS Act, 1985. ANNEXURE-I
REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3233
Number of cases regarding seizure of narcotics viz. Opium, Morphine, Heroin, Ganja, Hashish, Cocaine, Methaqualone, Ephedrine, LSD and Acetic Anhydride during the last three Years as reported by the various drug law enforcement Agencies in the country.

S.No.	Name of States/UTs	No. of cases reported		
		1998	1999	2000 (Upto Oct.)
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	1	4	3
2.	Andhra Pradesh	238	394	200
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	10	4	4
4.	Assam	100	68	50

5. Bihar	167	67	29
6. Chandigarh	31	16	14
7 Daman & Diu	-	1	-
8. Delhi	635	756	487
9. Gujarat	176	127	114
10. Goa	31	26	30
11. Himachal Pradesh	128	103	54
12. Haryana	242	147	154
13. Jammu & Kashmir	60	65	30
14. Karnataka	1	-	-
15. Kerala	237	192	4
16. Meghalaya	10	9	12
17. Maharashtra	614	489	320
18. Manipur	74	48	59
19. Madhya Pradesh	297	107	123
20. Mizoram	92	46	40
21. Nagaland	26	54	55
22. Orissa	1	4	64
23. Punjab	301	331	372
24. Pondicherry	-	2	2
25. Rajasthan	277	417	354
26. Tamil Nadu	2846	3390	1255
27. Tripura	18	8	25
28. Uttar Pradesh	5665	6118	1864
29. West Bengal	168	36	126
Total	12446	13029	5844

(-) denotes `not available`

ANNEXURE-II REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3233
Number of persons arrested in connection with drug trafficking During the year 1998, 1999 and 2000 (upto November) -

S.No.	Nationality	1998	1999	2000 (upto Nov.)
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1.	Indian	13126	13398	8590
2.	Afghani	3	4	5
3.	Australian	-	1	-
4.	Bahamas	1	-	-
5.	Bangladeshi	7	3	-
6.	British	17	3	4
7	Burundi	-	-	1
8.	Canadian	4	-	-
9.	Dutch	-	2	-
10.	French	3	2	-
11.	German	2	2	2
12.	Ghanian	2	4	-
13.	Georgian	1	-	-
14.	Greek	-	1	-
15.	Guineer	1	-	-
16.	Iranian	1	-	-
17.	Italian	-	3	1
18.	Israely	1	1	-
19.	Japanese	-	-	1
20.	Kenyan	-	1	-
21.	Maliennen	1	-	-

22.	Mozambique	1	-	-				
23.	Myanmari	-	8	17				
24.	Nepalese	17	12	22				
25.	Nigerian	26	17	8				
26.	Pakistani	4	3	9				
27.	Senegal	1	-	-				
28.	Somalian	-	2	-				
29.	South African	-	1	-				
30.	Sri Lankan	12	16	10				
31.	Swedish	-	1	-				
32.	Tanzanian	3	-	-				
33.	Ugandan	7	1	-				
34.	Uzbekistan	-	1	-				
35.	Zambian	2	3	-				